



DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC SECURITY

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Arizona Refugee Resettlement Quarterly Meeting

March 2017



FFY 2017

Refugee Arrival Summary

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National Arrival Updates

- 38,225 refugee arrivals as of March 23, 2017
- 42,725 refugee arrivals expected by the end of April
- Arrivals mainly from DRC, Syria, Iraq, Somalia, Burma, Ukraine, Bhutan, Iran and Afghanistan



Year-to-Date Arrivals ▪ Top Five Countries

| MARICOPA COUNTY | | |
|-----------------|-------|-------------|
| Country | Total | Grand Total |
| DRC | 430 | 1,300 |
| Cuba | 289 | |
| Iraq | 247 | |
| Somalia | 170 | |
| Syria | 164 | |



Year-to-Date Arrivals ▪ Top Five Countries

| PIMA COUNTY | | |
|-------------|-------|-------------|
| Country | Total | Grand Total |
| DRC | 181 | 385 |
| Somalia | 86 | |
| Syria | 54 | |
| Iraq | 35 | |
| Ethiopia | 29 | |



Arizona Total Year-to-Date Arrivals

| | |
|-----------------------|--------------|
| Maricopa | 1,622 |
| Pima | <u>481</u> |
| Total Arrivals | 2,103 |



Standing Updates: Refugee Health

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Standing Updates: Refugee Health Screening

Maricopa County Refugee Health Statistics November 1, 2016 - February 28, 2017

- Scheduled for Domestic Medical Screening: 1,810
- Completed Domestic Medical Screening: 1,721
- Completed within 30 Days: 753
- Referred to Behavioral Health Services: 18

Standing Updates: Refugee Health Screening

Pima County Refugee Health Statistics November 1, 2016 - February 28, 2017

- Scheduled for Domestic Medical Screening: 486
- Completed Domestic Medical Screening: 478
- Completed within 30 Days: 13
- Referred to Behavioral Health Services: 19

Refugee Health Promotion Updates

- Adjustment Support Groups
 - » 3 completed in November-January within school settings
 - » 4 currently within school settings starting
 - » 2 current women's group
 - » 4 future groups

Behavioral Health Request for Grant Applications

- Provider Training and Provider Outreach



March 29, 2017

Arrival Trends

- ▶ FY 2017 Target arrivals: 425
- ▶ FY 2017 Target arrivals as today: 213
- ▶ Year to date arrivals: 168
- ▶ This Quarter 38
- ▶ December 10 , January 15 , February 13
- ▶ Syria (37%), DR Congo (5%), Iraq (37%), Burma (8%), Eritrea (5%), Iran (8%)
- ▶ Increase from Syria , Iraq, none from Afghanistan, Bhutan, Pakistan, Central African Republic.
- ▶ Secondary migrants and transfers: 3
- ▶ Out-migrants: 2
- ▶ Asylum seekers: 2

Employment Statistics

FY 2017

Dec 2016 – Feb 2017

| Assistance Type | MG | Refugee Program (RP) | | |
|---------------------|---------|----------------------|------|----|
| | | RCA | TANF | NC |
| Employable Caseload | 8 | 7 | 8 | 0 |
| Employed | 6 | 4 | 5 | 0 |
| Average Hourly Wage | \$10.30 | \$10.11 | | |
| 90-Day Retention | | 100% | | |
| 180-Day Employment | 100% | | | |

Challenges: Responses

- ▶ Employment: On-going employer identification, Skill Development Classes
- ▶ Capacity of new team members: staff training (ECDC on-line training)
- ▶ Financial: Laid off 3 staff members, Decrease working hours to 30 hr/wk

New Opportunities

- ▶ Expanding apartment options
- ▶ Increased donations: most apartment set-ups, 12 bikes, 7K USD donated by Deseret Industries and 7K USD by LDS
- ▶ Economic opportunities: Women Empowerment Group, Child Care Program, Skill Development Classes (housekeeping and Janitorial)

Community Consultation

- ▶ Faith groups: Churches, American Muslim Women Association
- ▶ Agency staff: DES, Department of Health
- ▶ Glendale and Phoenix Police
- ▶ Schools
- ▶ Community organizations
- ▶ Business partners
- ▶ Financial institutions

Thank you!



Catholic Charities Community Services of Phoenix

Resettlement Trends

Resettlement Trends

Refugee Resettlement :

- FFY 2017 Began Oct. 1, 2017
- 700 Refugees initially expected to be resettled, revised projection now 391
- Current have resettled 274 refugees as of 3/13/2017

Resettlement Trends

- Majority of arrivals from Congo, Iraq, and Somalia
- Increase in *attached refugee minor* (ARM) cases: refugee children arriving without biological parents, “attached” to siblings and relatives.
- These cases involve assisting family to obtain legal guardianship of minor, explanation of responsibilities, specialized follow-up and assessments with minor.

Resettlement Trends

Cuban Haitian Entrant Program (CHEP):

- 180 Clients anticipated for FY 2017
- 58* clients received YTD
- * “Wet Food Dry Foot Policy” was rescinded, majority of clients entering are Cuban Medical Professionals/Personnel (CMPP)

Asylees, Secondary Migrants

Walk-Ins for Oct-Dec 2016:

- Asylees: 1 case: single female from Rwanda with acute medical needs.
- Non CHEP Cuban/Haitian cases: 85 Cases with 105 individuals.
- Secondary Migrants: 13 Cases with 26 individuals from: California, Florida, Georgia, Oklahoma, New York, Texas, Utah, and Virginia

ORR Cuban-Haitian Program

New trend of “surge” of Haitian border entrants

- These are Haitian nationals who were primarily working in Brazil on the Olympic stadium, where now in addition to the aftermath of Hurricane Matthew, are being trafficked up to California and the Arizona border, with San Diego having largest impact of entrants, although Arizona has some also.
- Several families are being released and arriving to Phoenix, mostly women and children with men continuing to be detained, all are in removal proceedings.

Employment Data : Dec-Feb.

| Assistance Type | MG | Refugee Program (RP) | | |
|------------------------|---------|---|------|----|
| | | RCA | TANF | NC |
| Employable Caseload | 55* | 114 | 52 | 15 |
| Employed | 48** | 64 | 27 | 9 |
| Average Hourly Wage | \$10.39 | \$10.52 | | |
| 90-Day Retention | | 94% | | |
| 180-Day Employment | 87% | <p>*Cases that reached 180 days in Match Grant December 2016 to February 2017</p> <p>**Self-sufficient cases at day 180</p> | | |

TAG D Program



- Intensive employment program for refugee & other eligible beneficiaries who are between 6 months and 5 years of DOA and experiencing compelling barriers to self-sufficiency.
- **Two Tracks:** Incentive Program & On-the-Job Training Program
- Program Coordinator partners with VOLAGs and mainstream service providers resources to help clients achieve economic self-sufficiency

TAG D Program

- **Target Population:**
 - Single parents
 - Youth 18-25 in need of part-time income to provide economic support to families or supplement independent living cost
 - Refugees with physical disabilities and/or behavioral disorders
 - Former or current TANF recipients affected by reduction in lifetime limit to 12 months

Preferred Communities Program



- Medical coaching
- Affordable housing
- Guardianship for attached minors being reunited with family
- Budgeting, including travel loan repayments
- Monthly women's drumming and sharing sessions held in partnership with Refugee Focus



Community Engagement: Building Relationships in Arizona



Faith Based and Community Support



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St. Helen Catholic Church

Refugee Program Parish Appeal January 14th & 15th

Raised \$5,392 on behalf of the Refugee Program!



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Upcoming parish appeals.....

St. Elizabeth (March 11th & 12th)

St. Clare of Assisi (March 18th & 19th)

St. Benedict (March 25th & 26th)

Holy Cross (April 29th & 30th)

St. James (June 10th & 11th)

St. Agnes (June 17th 18th)

***many more to come!**



Community Engagement: Building Relationships in Arizona



New ***Refugee Ministry Volunteer Group*** began working with their **first** family:

- **St. Francis Xavier Catholic Church**

This ***Refugee Ministry Group*** has started working **One-on-One** with a newly arrived refugee family! The (4) month partnership will center on **job readiness, maintaining employment, and ongoing orientations about living an independent life in America!**

Community Engagement: Building Relationships in Arizona



Refugee Ministry Volunteer Group began working with their 2ND family:

- **St. Benedict Catholic Church**

This *Refugee Ministry Group* has started working **One-on-One** with a newly arrived refugee family! The (5) month partnership will center on **job readiness, maintaining employment, and ongoing orientations about living an independent life in America!**

Community Engagement: Building Relationships in Arizona



This *Refugee Ministry Volunteer Group* began working with their 4th family:

- **St. Patrick Catholic Community**

This *Refugee Ministry Group* has started working **One-on-One** with a newly arrived refugee family! The (5) month partnership will center on **job readiness, maintaining employment, and ongoing orientations about living an independent life in America!**

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Ongoing Refugee Ministry Volunteer Group:

- **Notre Dame High School**
- *"Women of the Word and Works of Mercy"*
- Continues to sponsor a new family every month
 - Furniture for families of 4 or 5
 - New beds for the family
 - House hold items



Community Engagement: Building Relationships in Arizona



L.D.S (Bishop's Where House)

Large Donation

Hygiene & Cleaning Supplies

THE CHURCH OF
JESUS CHRIST
OF LATTER-DAY SAINTS

Proving support for new arrivals



Community Engagement: Building Relationships in Arizona



L.D.S (Deseret Industries)

Large Donation

New Beds & Metal Frames



Proving support for new arrivals



Community Engagement: Building Relationships in Arizona



St. Scholastica

Big Welcome to Bachelor of Social Work Students Interning with the Refugee Program



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**Big Thank you to The Welcome to America Project for
their amazing ongoing support serving (6) refugee families
every month**



THE
**Welcome
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State Quarterly Meeting

IRC Phoenix

Reporting Period: Dec 2016 – Feb 2017

Arrivals FY 2017

Reception & Placement

| FFY2017 DEC 2016 ARRIVALS | FFY2017 JAN 2017 ARRIVALS | FFY2017 FEB 2017 ARRIVALS | FFY2017 TOTAL ARRIVALS |
|---|---------------------------------|---------------------------------|---|
| 42 Cases (110 Individuals) | 19 Cases (37 Individuals) | 13 Cases (28 Individuals) | 188 Cases (525 Individuals) |
| 1 SIV (non-RP) Cases (2 Individuals) | 0 SIV Cases (0 Individuals) | 0 SIV Cases (0 Individuals) | 1 SIV (non-RP) Cases (2 Individuals) |
| | | | |
| Secondary Migrants | | 11 Cases (24 Individuals) | |
| Asylees | | 12 Cases (14 Individuals) | |
| Parolees | | 1 Cases (1 Individuals) | |

FFY17 Arrival Countries

Top Five

- Democratic Republic of Congo
- Somalia
- Iraq
- Syria
- Afghanistan

Resettlement Challenges

- Low resettlement numbers for remaining FFY
- Increase & fluctuating rental rates
- Electric not included (extra cost & training)
- Rental insurance required by some complexes
- Single mothers & family self-sufficiency

Successes

- In partnership with AZDHS & Maricopa Health Department, IRC has completed all health screenings for IRC backlog
- Community support for refugee resettlement is high

Employment Outcomes

Dec 2016 – Feb 2017

- 193 Job Placements
- 143 State Funded (RSS/TAG-F/TAG-D) gained employment
- Average Hourly Wage – \$10.10
- 90% of companies that hired offer Benefits

Health Programs

- Bridges to Safety – Domestic Violence Screening
- Training to medical, mental health providers and future providers at ASU, PVCC, and GCC
- Pathways to Wellness – 5 groups conducted at schools and at the IRC office. Focused on adjustment support for teens, victims of human trafficking, and survivors of torture
- Syrian Health Initiative – RHS15 screening for Syrian arrivals

Micro-enterprise Program

- Provides start-up loans to new entrepreneurs.
- Provides loans for existing businesses looking to expand.
- Offers Technical Assistance before and after the loan.
- Creates jobs and a path to self-sufficiency.

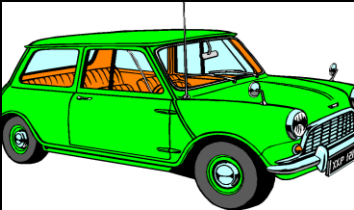
IDA Program

Savings Program – clients save and when they are ready to purchase they will receive match money to go toward the purchase.

- Car Loans
- Home Loans

Car Loans to Newly Employed Refugees

- Up to \$8,000 upon qualification
- Interest rate 9% with auto withdraw
- Max term 48 months



Credit Building Loans

Goal: Build Personal Credit History

Steps:

- Complete Financial Education Training
- Receive loan (\$100-\$300)
- Pay loan

Immigration and Citizenship

FFY17 Dec-Feb

- Organizing over 16 citizenship classes and providing instruction to over 300 eligible students
- Completed over 250+ naturalization applications
- Outreach to civic leaders and foreign ambassadors for group immigration processing

IRC Community Events

- In December, IRC partnered with community donors to bring presents to newly arrived refugee families. This **Holiday Giving Campaign** brought **\$70,000** dollars worth of gifts to refugees. Volunteers dedicated **3,000** hours to making this project successful.
- On January 30th, IRC hosted a group of 22 **International Journalists studying at ASU**, who wanted to learn more about IRC and what we do for Refugees in Phoenix.
- During the month of February, the **Volunteer Income Tax Assistance Program** worked with over 150 Refugees to prepare their income taxes.
- On February 23rd, IRC hosted a young group of ladies from the **Kelly Key Club**. These ladies helped sort donations and assisted in our **Resettlement Shop**.



**Lutheran Social Services of the Southwest Refugee Focus -
Phoenix
Resettlement and Employment Trends
March 29, 2017**



a program of Lutheran Social Services of the Southwest

Arrival Trends

- From December 2016 – February 2017
- Refugee Arrivals: 164
- Cuban Parolees- CHEP: 30
- Secondary Migrants:11
- Asylees:0
- SIV: 12

FY 2017 PRM approved refugee arrivals: **1076**

FY 2017 PRM revised refugee arrivals: **538**

YTD 383 Refugee Arrivals – **155** to arrive this FY



Arrival Trends

Demographics:

- **Arrived:** Congolese, Iraqi, Syrian Somali, Eritrean, Burmese, Iranian, and **SIV** (Iraq, Afghanistan).
- **Assured:** Congolese, Somali, Iraqi, Eritrean, Burmese, Syrian, SIV (Afghanistan)and Iranians.





RF Phoenix Employment Statistics December 2016 – February 2017



| Assistance Type | MG | Refugee Program (RP) | | |
|---------------------|---------|----------------------|------|----|
| | | RCA | TANF | NC |
| Employable Caseload | 195 | 18 | 48 | 14 |
| Employed | 133 | 12 | 26 | 9 |
| Average Hourly Wage | \$10.28 | \$9.77 | | |
| 90-Day Retention | | 92% | | |
| 180-Day Employment | 85% | | | |

RF Employment Trends

Job Placements:

Managed labor in transportation/logistics

Hospitality and Customer Services

Manufacturing

Retail, Food & Beverage, ethnic restaurants

Uniform Linen supply/cleaning

Airport Security

Others (*includes janitorial, garden supply, bakery*)



Program Highlights

Volunteers

- 150 people have attended orientations to be volunteers, mentors, or co-sponsors and 60 active December – February
- 50 community members (ex. faith based groups) attended Refugee 101 sessions
- 1 full time intern, assigned to Women's Empowerment Program

Placements

Volunteer orientation sessions are held every month. Positions filled: ELT tutor, Computer tutor, adult-skill building classes (cultural orientation, tenant training, public transit training, health and safety classes, child safety training, financial literacy), Women's Empowerment Program Assistant, 1-on-1 public transit volunteers, field trip coordinators, Interpreters, Mentors and The Mission Continues Post 9/11 Veteran Fellowship



Mentor/Volunteer Support-Physics Success Story



Congregational and Community Support

- Lifting Hands International, a non-profit service agency, set up 26 apartments December - February
- Several LDS wards provided in-kind donations and one ward sponsored a refugee family
- 17 Churches/cosponsors supported refugee families in the last four months
- One church and one temple collected large donations of adult and children's school supplies



Christmas Project

**23 Church sponsors
participated!**

183 families received gifts!



Children's Services

- 107 school enrollments from November through February
- Partnered with IRC and Catholic Charities for parent meeting Swift Branch Boys & Girls Club which included Glendale Elementary School District and 3 apartment complexes.
- Quarterly Safety Meeting at Canyon Pointe on December 21, 2016 with IRC, Phoenix PD, Alhambra School District and Apartment Complex managers.



Women's Empowerment Program (WEP)

- Computer and sewing classes
- Leadership Development
- Training: Child Care Providers, Direct Care Worker, Kith & Kin
- Health and nutrition classes monthly
- Library tour
- Driving permit preparation class (pilot program with 2 women)



Nutrition and Gardening

Maricopa County Department of Health

Garden planting with clients and Food Systems Coordinator

Nutrition class – also included visits to local ethnic, grocery stores



Intensive Case Management Program

**Monthly African Dance and Drumming –
Partnership with AZ Rhythm Connection and
Catholic Charities**



**Women's Support Group – Includes
crocheting, exercise, health classes**



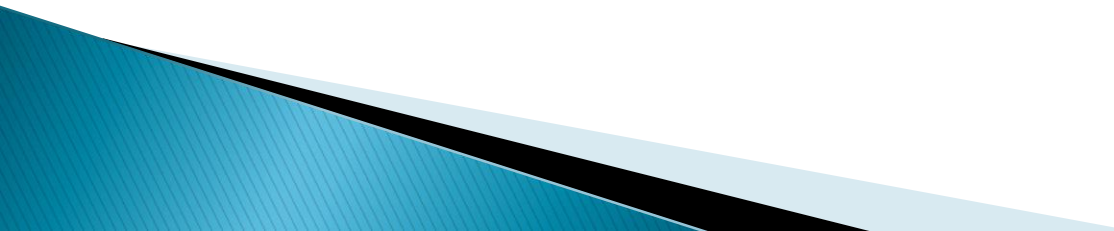


English Language Training Program

MARICOPA COUNTY

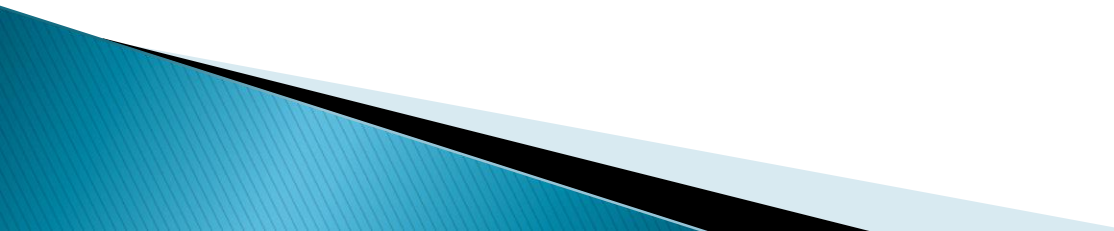
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PROGRAM'S GOALS

- ▶ The program aims to provide English language training to refugees, paroles, asylum seekers and other eligible individuals.
 - ▶ Class participation will improve clients' language skills, thus enhance their employability.
 - ▶ Clients will be able to attend a class that fits their schedule.
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CLASSES

This reporting period the program added 2 new to the 3 already existing locations.

- ▶ RF – 5 classes, 6 tutor groups, about 20 volunteers
 - ▶ IRC – 3 classes, 2 tutor groups, 4 volunteers
 - ▶ Harold Smith School – 2 classes
 - ▶ AARRC – 3 classes
 - ▶ Westwood Primary School – 1 class
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NUMBERS

New clients this quarter:

- ▶ tested and placed in classes – 576
- attended classes – 361
- did not attend classes– 215

(about 37%, 50% of whom are Basic or Literacy level)

Attended classes this quarter:

- ▶ 849 total
- ▶ 478 carried over from previous quarter
- ▶ 361 new clients

ATTENDANCE MONTHLY


- ▶ December – 444 total
- ▶ January – 504
- ▶ February – 421

SUCSESSES AND CHALLENGES

Successes:

- ▶ newly adapted literacy curriculum
- ▶ large body of volunteers involved in tutoring
- ▶ 2 new locations

Challenges:

- ▶ the number of tested and placed new clients who do not show up for classes
 - ▶ clients not being able to attend due to lack of bus passes
 - ▶ clients' inability to obtain eyeglasses due to the lack of coverage
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New American Community Consortium



A Non-Profit Corporation (Consortium) to provide resources in the New American Community by fulfilling community needs.

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NAC Updates: CREST Program



Community Relations Executive Seminar Training

CREST, a shorter version of the FBI Citizens Academy, is an opportunity to create partnership in understanding the rule of law and the great work the FBI does in protecting the American people from complex threats in an era of globalization and in an interconnected world.



CREST Program Community Empowerment



We strongly believe that the FBI CREST Program has empowered the New American Community to understand U.S. laws and law enforcement agencies and embrace positive social change.



CREST Program Community Empowerment



☞ **CREST Session: February 22nd**

☞ **Facilitator: COS Bjornstad**

☞ **Topics: Civil Rights & Human Trafficking**

☞ **Was attended by fifty people from fourteen ECBOs.**

☞ **FBI COS Bjornstad has offered to answer any questions you may have on this great empowerment program.**



Positive Impact



- ❧ **Powerful, insightful and informative opening remarks were given by ASAC Colvin, encouraging CREST's participants.**
- ❧ **During the sessions, participants had the opportunity to interact with COS, SAs & ASAC getting clarification for any concerns, including preventing, identifying and addressing issues.**



Police Advisory Board Annual Summit



Members of the Refugee Police Advisory Board

☞ **Phoenix Police
community-oriented
approach and
community engagement
are among the programs
which works toward
bringing refugee
community and Law
enforcement together to
strengthen Public Safety
for all.**



Community Gathering



- ❧ **Community gathering for unity, emphasizing the community concern about the State Senate Bill 1468.**
- ❧ **District 24 AZ House of Representative Ken Clark gave a detailed explanation about the bill**





INTERNATIONAL
RESCUE
COMMITTEE

Refugee School Impact Grant State Quarterly Meeting 03/29/2017

From Harm to Home | Rescue.org



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School Enrollments

November 2017 – February 2017

Refugee Focus Totals: 107

November – 37

December – 3

January – 41

February – 26

AIRS Totals: 26

November – 15

December – 2

January – 4

February – 5

IRC Totals: 171

November – 23

December – 28

January – 89

February – 31

Catholic Charities Totals: 58

November – 16

December – 4

January – 23

February – 15

New Students and School Districts

362 students
enrolled in Metro
Phoenix Schools*

School Districts:

Alhambra Elem. – 99

Glendale Elem. – 68

Creighton Elem. – 2

Isaac Elem. – 5

Washington Elem. – 36

Balsz Elem. – 2

Glendale Union – 22

Phoenix Union – 37

Mesa Public Schools – 3

Paradise Valley – 4

Sequoia Choice – 7

Peoria Unified – 7

Parent Meetings – Phoenix



- Partnership between Refugee Focus and IRC, Alhambra Elementary School District, City of Phoenix, and the Phoenix Police Department
- The meeting was a follow up to one conducted last quarter concerning parent supervision and community safety

International Family Night



Held at Montebello K-8
School in Metro Phoenix

International Family Night



- Partnership between AESD, IRC, Welcome to America Project
- Transportation provided to families
- Clothing closet, food donations, haircuts

Student Adjustment Groups

- Led by two IRC clinicians with support from Interns
- Language specific, interpreters provided
- Support for new students and adjustment concerns
- Groups continue to be in high demand
- Successfully completed group at Alhambra HS last semester
- New groups at Central HS, Washington HS, Montebello School, Westwood School and Simpson School active this semester

Professional Development Training

Mesa Unified School District – 83

Alhambra Elementary School District – 179

Phoenix Union H.S. District – 64

Glendale Union H.S. District – 17

Paradise Valley Unified – 50

Teach For America – 12

AZ School Counselors Assoc. – 30

**Total: 435 Schools
Professionals**



Training Evaluation Responses

(82.5% survey completion rate)

“I walked away with effective teaching strategies to implement in my classroom”

61.7% of School Professionals **Strongly Agree**

30% of School Professionals **Agree**

Overall, 91.7% of survey respondents agree that the training prepared them to better work with refugee students

Upcoming projects...

- Webinar trainings with Arizona Department of Education
- Summer programming planning
- Family wellness home visits



Area Agency on Aging, Region One Elder Refugee Program

Andria Cubero- Program Specialist
Jolie Mbonyingabo- Director

Our Program



- Serve refugees over 60 years old
- Case management services
- Mosaic Senior Center
- Pre-Literacy and Citizenship classes

November 2016- January 2017

- Active clients:
 - November - 503
 - December - 513
 - January - 516
- 36 new clients enrolled
- 12 clients obtained citizenship



Updates- Case Management

- 14 clients assisted to purchase life insurance
- Donations from St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Church



Updates - Preliteracy Program



- 153 students enrolled in preliterate and citizenship classes
- 22 active volunteers, 789 hours logged (Nov'16-Jan'17)
- 9 classes, 5 locations (1 new class added)

Updates- Mosaic Center



Thanksgiving Celebration



Updates- Mosaic Center

Arizona Artists Guild





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Unaccompanied Refugee Minor Program (URMP)

The only program in Arizona that is entrusted by the Office of Refugee and Resettlement (ORR) to provide services to Unaccompanied Refugee Minors coming from areas of conflict or who are facing persecution and were forced to flee their homeland.

Who do we serve?

- ▶ Refugee minors from: 11 countries including; Afghanistan, Burma, Burundi, Congo, D.R. Congo, Eritrea, Guatemala, Honduras, Mexico, Rwanda and Somalia.
- ▶ Quarter: Served 46 URM
- ▶ Currently serving 49 URM Clients (Age Range: 7 to 20 years old)
- ▶ Pending 1 arrivals

Placements

- ▶ 36 live in Traditional Foster Homes
- ▶ 15 live in agency-assisted Independent Living apartments
- ▶ 2 Alternative Placements:
 - Therapeutic Foster Homes: Christian Family Care, Mosaic, and Devereux
 - Group Home Partner: House of Bliss

Education and Employment

Education

- ▶ 5 in Community Colleges
- ▶ 24 in High Schools
- ▶ 3 in Middle schools
- ▶ 1 Elementary
- ▶ 1 in a University

Employment

- ▶ 8 URMS are employed on a part-/full-time basis
- ▶ Employers: Amazon, car wash, fast food restaurants, grocery store, auto dealership

Training

▶ Youth Trainings

- ▶ Personal Safety
- ▶ Message of Hope/Feelings
Exercise/Team
Building/PREA

▶ Parent Training

- ▶ Chapter 21-AZ & ORR
Licensing Requirements
- ▶ Maricopa County Attorney
Team Speakers Bureau

Community Service Events

► Community Service Events

► Christmas Party



- Received 4 26" bikes from Arizona Helping Hands
- Received gifts from St. Jeromes Parish
- Received donations (sheets, blankets, paper & hygiene products)



Activities

► Activities

- Jobs for Arizona Graduates (ongoing support)
- Monthly meetings





RRP AMERICORPS VISTA PROJECT

MARCH 2017

VISTA HIGHLIGHTS: THE HOLIDAY ANGEL PROJECT

225 volunteers

880 hours

505 refugees

200 comforters

250 strollers

300 baby

blankets

300 towels

...and more!!!



VISTA HIGHLIGHTS: MLK DAY OF SERVICE

10 VISTA Members
45+ Refugee Youth
45+ Gift Bags

English Games
Arts and Crafts
Sports
Apartment Cleanup



VISTA HIGHLIGHTS: IMPACT STORY



Debe Campbell and Gil Alvidrez

AmeriCorps famous!

